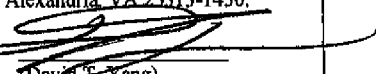


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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 27, 2007, for which a response is due on November 27, 2007. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.